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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED] G

SUBJECT:

General: [REDACTED] J

Specific: Exploitation of OS Facilities for Testing

1. At your direction we have engaged in several conversations with Messrs. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] OS, on the use of their facilities for testing [REDACTED] capabilities under quasi-operational conditions. OS is currently employing two full time polygraph teams in the assessment of [REDACTED] recruits in [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], and Mr. [REDACTED] has assured us he believes [REDACTED] could easily be tested profitably and safely within the framework of this program. We are agreed that the flap potential within this framework would be at the optimum minimum; the subjects and the situation would in each instance be controllable from the outset, and the operators would have ample opportunity to redirect the assessment at any point in the event of negative or hostile reaction on the part of a subject. F/I

2. To recapitulate the areas of the [REDACTED] technique to be tested, they are: J

- a. Induction of deep trance in unwitting and unwilling subjects.
- b. Rapid (i.e., within seconds) induction of deep trance.
- c. Production of indefinitely durable amnesia concerning the trance.
- d. Production of indefinitely durable control of future behavior through post hypnotic suggestion; this would include behavior in conflict with the subjects' normal patterns.

3. Authority requested: The new element in this proposal is that authority be delegated to the testing personnel to decide on the ground on a case by case basis when [REDACTED] may be used. It is recommended that this authority be obtained through the Committee from [REDACTED] and that this element of the program be coordinated by you with [REDACTED]. J

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